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FORM

Form indicates accuracy of letter formation, uniformity of slant and size.

Beautiful penmanship, like elocution or music is an accomplishment that naturally attracts all people of refinement.

The above model shows the style of writing taught and illustrates ideal letter formation, size and slant.

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This is good elementary school penmanship. Note the uniformity of size, slant and alignment. The x is crossed carefully.

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This writing is too small, but note the uniformity of slant and size. It is too regular—see m, n, h.

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Good form. The curvature between letters is slightly exaggerated. Note the approach to a, d, and m.

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The writing is too regular, especially m and n. It shows too much. Note the careless form of k.

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One must exercise in work and in play Active play and almost all kinds of work which children have to do are good forms of exercise. Long

The writing slants too much. The t should not be looped. Note the careless tendency in completing k.

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One must exercise in work and in play Active play and almost all kinds of work which children have to do are good forms of exercise. Long walks once

The slant is irregular. The t's look like f's and the x's are round at the top. The x is crossed carelessly. The f is poor.

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This writing slants too much. The loops are too long and narrow. The t should not be looped. The x and d are poor.

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This specimen shows poor letter formation, irregular size and irregular slant.

HOW TO USE THE SCALE.—To determine the value of a specimen of writing or to use one of the three standard forms, specimens of writing are prepared from the table of the scale and a specimen of corresponding value is shown. Specimens of writing are prepared from the table of the scale and a specimen of corresponding value is shown. Specimens of writing are prepared from the table of the scale and a specimen of corresponding value is shown.

Standard Letters

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i j k l m
n o p q r s t u v w x y z

These capital letters and small letters were adopted by the Board of Education of New York City in 1914.

MOVEMENT

Movement is determined by the quality of line. Heavy, broken or tremulous line indicates poor movement. Smooth sharp line indicates good movement.

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The quality of line shown above is evidence of an easy muscular movement, which is produced by the muscles of the arm.

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Correctly good movement except in the capitals and a few small letters where the line is tremulous.

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This shows good movement and fairly good control throughout. Note the sharp, clearest quality of line.

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The pen was allowed to scrape on downward strokes in O, x, c, k. The m, n, h and the bottom of f are too angular.

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The smooth and uniform quality of line indicates fairly good movement. The m, n, h and k are poorly formed.

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This shows some conditions, and evidence of freedom, notably in initial and final strokes and in capital L.

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Although the movement is poor, this writing shows a better quality of line than the specimen below.

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The heavy tremulous line indicates very poor movement. Slight evidence of freedom is shown in a few final strokes.

HOW THE SCALE WAS MADE.—This scale represents the average of the judgments of 21 teachers and writers in the elementary school system of approximately 100 of the best penmanship schools of the city of New York. The specimens of writing were prepared from the table of the scale and a specimen of corresponding value is shown. Specimens of writing are prepared from the table of the scale and a specimen of corresponding value is shown.

SPACING

Correct uniform spacing between letters and words is desired. Spacing that is crowded, or too wide or irregular, is not good.

All students desiring to become good business writers should acquire an easy muscular movement, study good writing and practice imitating good

This is a specimen of the writing taught, which illustrates the ideal spacing children should approximate in practice.

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This specimen shows a high degree of uniformity in spacing. The writing, however, is too small.

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This is generally good spacing. But see variation in the words most, Active and which, and between exercise and Long.

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This spacing is quite clear, but it is too variable. Compare One, kinds, and most.

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This spacing is fairly regular throughout, but it is slightly "crowded" in appearance.

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This spacing is clear, but variable both within and between the words. The slant is variable.

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This specimen shows highly exaggerated spacing. It is also irregular. Note the word "children."

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The exaggeration between letters and between words are not clear. Some lines lack like a long word.

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This specimen shows a very low value in spacing between letters and words.

According to written instructions each of the 23 judges marked these specimens on the basis of movement, on the basis of spacing, and on the basis of form. The specimens marked on the average best and poorest were selected for the top and bottom of the scale, respectively. Therefore the most successful result which the 23 judges marked on the scale should have been determined, and specimens whose average marks are the same as these determined positions, or nearest them, were selected according to the position of the average on the scale as less than 0.1 from the determined position. For detailed account see Dr. C. F. Taylor, October, 1915.

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